GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1416
ANSWERED ON:03.03.2000
NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES ACT
RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

to the reply given on December 17, 1999 to Unstarred Question No.2818 and state:

(a) the number of cases out of those which were registered under Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances during the last three years have so far been disposed of, till date;

(b) the average time taken in disposing of a case;

(c) whether there is a need to amend the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR

(a) A total number of 22,980 drug related cases were disposed of during the last three years.
(b) The time taken in disposal of cases under the Narcotic Drugs andPsychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act varies from case to case and court to court through out the country.
(c) & (d) Yes, Sir. A Bill to amend the NDPS Act, 1985 was introduced inthe Rajya Sabha on 9th July, 98. The Standing Committee on Finance which examined the Bill has submitted its report, which is under process.